

<b>CALL FOR PROPOSAL</b>	
<b>PROJECT TITLE:</b>	Public Private Development Partnership (PPDP) for Renewable Energy Skills Training and Women Economic Empowerment
<b>ACTIVITY NAME:</b>	Procurement and delivery of 200 portable solar light kits to Garowe
<b>DONOR:</b>	Sida (Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency)
<b>PROJECT LOCATION:</b>	Garowe, Puntland State of Somalia
<b>GRANTOR:</b>	Nordic International Support Foundation – NIS
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## 1. Introduction

The Nordic International Support Foundation (NIS) is implementing the Public Private Development Partnership (PPDP) Programme which is a transformative 3-year initiative (July 2022 – June 2025), fostering collaboration between Sida, the Somali government, and private sector actors. The programme intends to address critical development challenges in Somalia among them are lack of access to affordable renewable energy coupled, the huge youth bulge of Somalia, representing 75% of the population in Somalia (below age of 30 years) with an unemployment rate of 68% (ages between 15-29 years). The PPDP is pivotal in providing clean, accessible energy and equipping Somali youth with market-relevant technical skills. Furthermore, it places a significant emphasis on Women's Economic Empowerment (WEE), aiming to enhance women's roles in socio-economic development and recovery.

The PPDP's focused approach in Banadir/Mogadishu and Garowe/Puntland regions is set to catalyze socioeconomic growth by improving access to solar electricity, developing skilled local workforce, supporting renewable energy enterprises, and integrating more women into the economy. In addition, the PPDP plays instrumental role in reviving Somalia's technical and vocational training education through investment in curricular development, training local ToTs and bridging connections between private actors and local governments, fostering partnership building. Targeting at least 350 Somali youth for renewable energy skills training and *impacting over 400 women-owned small-scale /informal SMEs in IDPs / urban poor neighbourhoods with green energy solutions (solar portable systems)* and as well as train 26 female technicians with solar technology entrepreneurship. The program stands as a strategic endeavor to reduce economic inequalities and promote sustainable development in Somalia.

## 2. Purpose

The purpose of this call for proposals is to seek bids from qualified contractors to undertake procurement and delivery of 200 portable solar lights in the project target location – Garowe. The system will consist of two types of lights, one with three lamps and another with two lamps both with charging points – see system details in Annex 1.

### 3. Tasks to be carried out.

The selected bidder will be responsible for:

- Procurement and delivery of 200 portable Solar lights in Garowe.
- Taking the responsibility of the maintenance of the solar kits after the project exit (during the warranty period) – please provide the warranty period in your bids.
- The identification and distribution of solar portable systems to the end-users will be done by other local partners on the ground. The supplier should support maintenance and warranty claims issues during the warranty period.

### 4. Format of proposals

- Detailed costed BoQs and work plan

S. No	DESCRIPTION	UNIT	QUANTITY	UNIT PRICE (USD)	Total amount (USD)
<b>Procurement and delivery of 200 portable solar PV systems for Garowe</b>					
1	Provide portable solar PV systems Sun King Home 200X Solar System or equivalent (provide specification datasheet) with Modern Solar Lighting with USB for mobile charging for small-scale businesses run by women in IDPs/poor- low-income female-headed households- including Shipment and transportation cost. See specifications in Annex 1	Pcs	100		
2	Provide portable solar PV systems Sun King 40 Plus Solar Light or equivalent (provide specification datasheet) with 2 Tube Lights with 5.5 W Solar Panel and Advanced Battery Control Unit for small-scale businesses run by women in IDPs/poor- low-income female-headed households- including Shipment and transportation cost. See specifications in Annex 1	Pcs	100		
<b>Total budget</b>					

### 5. Licenses and other required supporting documents

All interested potential bidders are required to submit the following documentation: -

- **Licenses:** Valid registration from the Ministry of Commerce and Industry of Puntland.
- **Tax compliance certificate:** A valid tax compliance certificate (TIN) from Ministry of Finance Puntland.
- **Proof/evidence of company ownership:** Shall submit a signed public notary document stating the ownership of the company including names, positions/titles, contact details and shares owned.

- **Previous similar experience:** Shall submit ONLY 3 previous similar contracts implemented with and/or for International non-governmental organizations (INGOs) or UN agencies.
- **Company Finances:** Shall present a duly signed financial declaration or bank statement confirming that the supplier is financially in a good position and able to pre-finance the activity as may be necessary.
- **Detailed work plan for the activity:** The company shall submit a clear and detailed activity delivery time.
- **Supplier ethical standard form:** Fill, stamp and submit the attached supplier ethical standard form.

## 6. Submission of proposals

Proposals must be submitted electronically to [procurement.somalia@nis-foundation.org](mailto:procurement.somalia@nis-foundation.org). The deadline is **Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> October 2024**, at 11:59pm. Incomplete or late proposals will not be considered.

All proposals must be submitted electronically with the subject line “**Procurement and delivery of 200 portable solar kits**”- **CALL FOR PROPOSALS**”.

**NB:** NIS Foundation promotes equal opportunities for all and welcomes applications from all sections and members of society regardless of their age, gender, group membership, political and/or clan affiliation. Qualified bidders/contractors owned by women will be highly considered for this bid.

**Annex1:**

## Product Specifications for 3 lights portable solar PV system kit with 600 lumens of power

Tube Lights	3 bright tube lights with 600 lumens of power
Solar Panel	11-Watt, polycrystalline solar panel with aluminum frame and 6-meter cable (expandable to 47 watts in total with the Expansion Pack 113X)
Battery	28Wh Lithium-ion NMC Battery (expandable to 141Wh in total with the Expansion Pack 113X)
Battery Indicator	While in use, digital LED meter displays remaining battery power
Charging Indicator	Digital LED meter displays charging effectiveness
USB Mobile Charging	5V/1.8A
Power Control	Battery management technology auto-switches to low-power mode when battery is running dry, yielding 5 hours of additional light
Power Port	Four 12V(+/-3V) ports. One port has a TV communication port designed for TV powering. TV will be activated by the system after the battery control unit expansion. The power ports minimum voltage may reach 9V, which some appliances might not be fully compatible with.
Light Modes	3 different light modes for various needs
PAYG Enforcement	Keypad or optional GSM-based activation compatible with major PAYG software platforms.

## Product Specifications for 2 lights portable solar PV system kit with 400 lumens of power

Tube Lights	2 bright tube lights with 400 lumens power
Solar Panel	5.5-Watt, polycrystalline solar panel with aluminium frame and 5-meter cable
Battery	2550mAh, 7.4V lithium-ion NMC battery
Battery Indicator	While in use, digital LED meter displays remaining battery power
Charging Indicator	Digital LED meter displays charging effectiveness
USB Mobile Charging	5V/1.8A
Power Control	Battery management technology auto-switches to low-power mode when the battery is running dry, yielding 5 hours of additional light
Light Modes	3 different light modes for various needs
PAYG Enforcement	Keypad or optional GSM-based activation compatible with major PAYG software platforms.

**Supplier Ethical form/ declaration of honour -exclusion criteria.**

Anyone doing business with NIS is required to fill the declaration of honour - exclusion criteria and shall maintain high standards on ethical issues, apply basic human and social rights, and give fair working conditions to their staff respecting ILO's core conventions.

Name of supplier/company: \_\_\_\_\_

Please answer/fill the following questions, sign, and stamp at the bottom of the document:

1. Have you ever implemented a contract financed by the EU or any other donor which was terminated due to non-compliance or poor performance?

Yes: \_\_\_\_\_ No: \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, please explain the remedial measures that have been taken to remedy the exclusion situation

2. Has it been established by a final judgment or final administrative decision that the person has created an entity under a different jurisdiction with the intent to circumvent fiscal, social or any other legal obligations in the jurisdiction of its registered office, central administration, or principal place of business?

Yes: \_\_\_\_\_ No: \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, please explain the remedial measures that have been taken to remedy the exclusion situation

3. Has the company/organization and/or any leading personnel ever received a final conviction for participation in a criminal organization, or for corruption, fraud, money laundering, violating intellectual property rights or any other form of economic crime?

Yes: \_\_\_\_\_ No: \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, please explain the remedial measures that have been taken to remedy the exclusion situation

4. Have you been declared bankrupt, subject to insolvency or winding-up procedures, where your assets were administered by a liquidator or by a court?

Yes: \_\_\_\_\_ No: \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, please explain the remedial measures that have been taken to remedy the exclusion situation

5. Is there any potential conflict of interest between you and your company with any NIS staff member? A conflict of interest can be due to a relationship with staff members such as close family and/or business partnerships etc.

Yes: \_\_\_\_\_ No: \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, please explain the remedial measures that have been taken to remedy the exclusion situation

6. Does the company/organization hold necessary tax registration, and is paying taxes according to regulations?

Yes: \_\_\_\_\_ No: \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, please explain the remedial measures that have been taken to remedy the exclusion situation

7. Is the company/organization involved in money laundering or terrorist financing?

Yes: \_\_\_\_\_ No: \_\_\_\_\_

8. Is the company/organization involved in terrorist-related offences or offences linked to terrorist activities?

Yes: \_\_\_\_\_ No: \_\_\_\_\_

9. Is the company/organisation involved in child labour or other forms of trafficking in human beings?

Yes: \_\_\_\_\_ No: \_\_\_\_\_

10. Has the company/organisation attempted to influence the decision-making process of the contracting authority during the procurement process?

Yes: \_\_\_\_\_ No: \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, please explain the remedial measures that have been taken to remedy the exclusion situation:

11. Has the company/organisation attempted to obtain confidential information that may confer upon its undue advantages in the procurement process?

Yes: \_\_\_\_\_ No: \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, please explain the remedial measures that have been taken to remedy the exclusion situation:

**COMMITMENT TO STANDARDS:**

1. Workers shall be treated fairly, and all articles of the fundamental ILO conventions shall be adhered to. [http://actrav.itcilo.org/english/about/about\\_fundamentals.html](http://actrav.itcilo.org/english/about/about_fundamentals.html)
2. Production and extraction of raw materials for production shall not contribute to the destruction of the resources and income base for marginalized populations, such as in claiming large land areas or other natural resources on which these populations are dependent.
3. Environmental measures shall be taken into consideration throughout the production and distribution chain ranging from the production of raw materials to the consumer

sale. Local, regional and global environmental aspects shall be considered. The local environment at the production site shall not be exploited or degraded by pollution.

4. National and international environmental legislation and regulations shall be respected.
5. All suppliers doing business with NIS should maintain high standards on ethical issues, respect and apply basic human and social rights, ensure non-exploitation of child labour, and give fair working conditions to their staff.

**We, the undersigned, confirm the filled information is correct and we meet the ethical standards as listed above.**

*Name:* \_\_\_\_\_

*Position:* \_\_\_\_\_

*Signature:* \_\_\_\_\_

*Date:* \_\_\_\_\_

*Stamp:* \_\_\_\_\_